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If you are interested in the new
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EVERYTHING THE MARKET AFFORDS.

ump Turkeys, Ducks, Geese, Young Chickens. Baltimore Oysters received
daily.
ew Wax Beans, Sweet Potatoes, Cranberries, Parsnips, Ripe Tomatoes,
Parsely, Radishes, Celery, Spinach, Squash, Turnips and Lettuce.
weet Navel Oranges, California Grapes, Layer Figs, Citron, Candied Cherries,
Bananas, Malaga Grapes, Dates, Mixed Nuts, Olives and Raisins.
weet Cider, Fresh Cocoanuts, Fifty Kinds of Candy, Olive Oil, Salad Dressing
Celery Salt, Paprika, Stuffed Olives, French Capers, Lea
and Peerin's Sauce, Pure Tomato Catsup.
ristmas Trees, Holly Branches and Wreaths, Evergreen Rolls, Magnolia
Wreaths, Mistletoe, Palm Leaves.
We are Headquarters this year.

Yours for a Merry Christmas.

Downing Bros.,

Both 'Phones 340. Across from Express Office.

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a rich investment anytime, and
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wait until the holiday crowds are
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come now and select the book you
want, and have it put away for
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Diamonds!
Watches!
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S. S. DODGE,
The Jeweler.
Fine Engraving a Specialty.

Lamps! Beautiful, Useful.

ss, Hand and Table Lamps, from.....25c to \$1.25
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autiful, nickel, latest improved burners.....\$3.00

Ball, library and hanging lamps!

A great variety. Will be pleased to show you our line.

A. H. Tillson Drug Co.,

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**A Good Thing
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The kind of goods I carry are first-class and fully guaranteed. In
y, I have Dietrich Brothers fine French imported, superior in looks and
ng quality. This Ebony costs a trifle more than other makes I have in
but outlasts anything on the market. Remember your friends with it
they will remember you years to come.

WENDEL,
The Jeweler.

GREAT SALE!

Furs

When?

Wednesday, December 19th, 1900.

Morris Kohn & Co's full line
at wholesale prices.

D. H. Brown & Co.

VERY LATEST.

Mrs. Senator Frye Dead.

Special by American Press Association:
WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The wife of
Senator Frye died suddenly this morn-
ing from heart failure, caused by in-
digestion.

Congressman Wise Dead

Special to THE TELEGRAPH:
NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 21.—Richard
A. Wise died suddenly this morning at
his home in Williamsburg. Mr. Wise
had not an easy road in politics. He
had been twice seated in the lower
house of Congress on contests.

A PRETTY WEDDING.

Miss Anna M. Smith and Hugh Miller, a
Popular Young Couple, Married
Last Evening.

A beautiful and quiet home wedding
was solemnized last evening by the
marriage of Miss Anna M. Smith and
Hugh Miller. The service was per-
formed in the future home of the young
people, at 207 East Boyd street, which
had been tastefully trimmed with
smilax and roses for the happy occasion.

When 8 o'clock arrived, at the first
notes of the wedding march played by
Miss Lila Goodrich, the bride and
groom entered, led by two sweet little
girls, Helen Wendel and Lucilla Mil-
ler, who acted as flower girls. The
bride was becomingly gowned in white.
About thirty guests witnessed the cer-
emony, which was performed by Rev.
W. C. Spencer.

After extending to Mr. and Mrs.
Miller their hearty congratulations
the guests joined with them at their
wedding supper. The bride and groom
are a popular young couple and the
best wishes of a wide circle of friends
go with them in the union of their
voyage of life.

The bride has been a resident of
Dixon for the past two years, coming
here from Harrisburg, Pa. She is a
sister of Mrs. Henry Gibbs of North
Dixon, and is a young lady whose
friendship is highly esteemed.

The groom is the eldest son of Mr.
and Mrs. T. J. Miller. He received
his education in the North Dixon high
school and has grown to manhood in
this city where he has earned the
good name of an honest, capable, ener-
getic and companionable young man.
He holds the position of superintendent
of the city milk delivery for the H. A.
Page Company.

Late in the evening a company of the
milk factory employees expressed their
congratulations with a lively charivari.
Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Conibear were
out from Chicago to attend the wed-
ding.

Dixon People Pleased.

It is evident that the people of
Dixon are pleased with Mgr. Truman's
attraction this week, as S. R. O. has
been displayed most of the time. To
make it short we will say there is no
question but M. B. Streeter's Bon Ton
Stock Co. have found a warm spot in
the hearts of the theatre goers of this
city and well they deserve it. Tonight
"A Will of Iron." This piece without
doubt has received more favorable
comments by the press than any of Mr.
Streeter's writings, especially the di-
secting room scene in the third act.
Don't fail to see "A Will of Iron" to-
night.

Officers Elected.

At a meeting of the Eminent Ladies
held in their hall yesterday, the fol-
lowing officers were elected for the
current term:

Supreme Judge, Miss Minnie Fischer;
Judge, Mary Anderson; President, Mrs.
Rosa Shaver; Vice President, Mrs.
Jessie Wallace; Eminent Commander,
Mrs. Carrie Sharp; Eminent Lieut.
Commander, Mrs. Ella Stanbrough;
Quartermaster, Mrs. Nellie Ayres.

Census Returns.

The census returns of the county,
which are printed in this paper to-
night will engage the attention of our
readers with much interest, as each
township and village enumeration is
given. As THE TELEGRAPH has de-
monstrated heretofore, the returns
give our city less than eight thousand
inhabitants, we have nearer nine
thousand than eight.

Accident at North Side School.

Yesterday, just before the commence-
ment of the afternoon session at the
North Dixon schools, Louis Deeter fell
down a flight of stairs and was injured
in the breast. He will be all right in
a few days.

COUNTY BONDS.

Bid of Dixon National Bank for \$91,275
is Accepted.

Bids for the purchase of Lee County
bonds in the sum of \$90,000 were re-
ceived and opened at the court house
yesterday morning by County
Clerk Thompson, County Treasurer
Sterling.

These bonds, ninety in number and
of the face value of \$1,000 each, are for
the purpose of raising money for the
new county court house.

Eleven bids were received from dif-
ferent firms of bond brokers yesterday.
The amount of accrued interest is to
be added to each bid and the bids in
the order of their amount were as fol-
lows:

N. W. Harris & Co., Chicago, \$91,194.
Randolph, Kleybolte & Co., Cincin-
nat, \$91,084 87.

Trobridge & Niver Co., Chicago,
\$90,495.

Farson, Leath & Co., Chicago, \$91,-
012.50.

Devitt, Tremble & Co., Chicago,
\$90,991.50.

W. J. Hays & Son, Cleveland, \$90,-
632.

Merchants Loan & Trust Co., \$90,598.

Mason, Lewis & Co., Chicago, \$90,-
594.

Denisen, Prior & Co. Cleveland,
\$90,450.

Seasongood, Mayer & Co., Cincinnati,
par less \$1,000.

Lamprecht Bros. & Co., Cleveland,
\$90,185.

All of the above bids were consider-
ed unsatisfactory and rejected with the
statement that new bids would be re-
ceived at 10 o'clock this morning.
There was some question about the
legality of receiving new bids without
re-advertising, but as the representa-
tives of the bidders raised no objection
this plan was carried out.

Six bids were received this morning,
one of them being a new bidder, the
Dixon National Bank. The bank bid
\$91,275 flat payable today.

The other bids were as follows:

Farson, Leath & Co., \$91,200.50.

Rudolph, Kleybolte & Co., \$91,175.

N. W. Harris & Co., \$91,130.

Denison, Prior & Co., \$90,906.50.

Trobridge & Niver Co., \$91,622.47.

All but the last bid include accrued
interest. This bid made \$40,616.50
payable Jan. 15, 1901, and \$51,005.94
payable June 1, 1901. The full amount
would consequently be less 3½ per cent
interest for 24 days and the last pay-
ment less interest for 5 months and 13
days, which would make it a low bid.

Cashier Hughes said that he consid-
ered his bid for the Dixon National
Bank a good one for the county as the
money would be paid today and the
county orders now outstanding at 6
per cent for between \$30,000 and \$40,-
000 could be taken up immediately.

An adjournment was taken until 2
o'clock to consider the bids.

After carefully considering the vari-
ous bids the committee recognized the
bid of the Dixon National Bank as the
most favorable one and accepted it.
This afternoon the amount, \$91,275.00,
was turned over to the county by the
bank and all outstanding warrants are
now called in for payment.

Periodical Sale and Election.

The auction sale of periodicals which
was postponed from last week will be
held this evening at the Y. M. C. A.
rooms. D. M. Fahrney will have charge
of the sale. Quite a number of bids for
certain magazines have been received
by the secretary and with those that
will be made tonight, it will make the
bidding spirited. The public is in-
vited.

After the sale, the annual election
of board members will be held. Four
members of the board of directors are
to be elected for a term of three years.
Every active member of the Associa-
tion is expected to be present and vote.

At Nachusa.

The Nachusa Garrison, Knights of
the Globe, will meet tomorrow and
discuss the change in the by-laws made
by the directors of Knights of the
Globe at their last meeting at Free-
port. Representatives from DeKalb
and Ogle counties will be present, and
Sir Knights from Dixon will be wel-
come.

Silent Ten Club.

The Silent Ten Club was entertained
last evening by Mrs. Frank Morgan of
Hennepin avenue. The evening was
very pleasantly enjoyed with caroms
and other games, after which refresh-
ments were served. The next meeting
of the club will be in January.

Holly Wreaths
2 for 25c.

New Mixed Nuts
15c lb.

Best Broken Candy
3 lbs. for 25c.

Our Holiday Stock

is complete as usual and too large to enumerate. Beautiful Cut
Glass and Fancy China; every X-mas Decoration; all sizes of X-mas
Trees; every Fresh Fruit and Vegetable on the market; Fancy Coun-
try Dressed Poultry; Oysters from Baltimore received daily; two
tons of X-mas Candy for 5c per pound upwards. Supply your hol-
iday wants from us and receive not only the best quality of goods
but we will save you money.

J. H. Morris & Son

Both 'Phones 21. 91 Galena Av.

Good Raisins
3 lbs. for 25c.

Citron, Lemon and Orange Peel
14c per lb.

Plum Pudding
10c per can.

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Our Christmas
showing of Cut-
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finer. A man
or boy always likes a good knife.

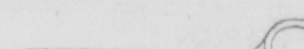
We have dainty pearl or stag han-
dles of the very best quality and
finish 2 to 4 blades, \$1.25 to \$2.50.

Other pearls down to 25c.

Pearls of good quality 90c to \$1.25.

Jack knives for heavier work, very
fine quality, 75c to \$1.50. Good qual-
ity, large or small 40c to 75c knives
for little boys or girls, 10c to 50c.

A beautiful assortment of knives
for ladies, 50c to \$2.00.



Scissors
the very
highest
grade,
such as

you would give your best friend, 45c
to 85c. Same quality with fancy
handles, including sterling silver up
to \$2.50.

Very best Shears, 50c to \$1.00.

Dainty Embroidery Scissors of the
best grade, 40c to 50c. With han-
dles gold plated, sterling silver or
colored enamel, up to \$1.25.

A choice collection of button-hole,
pocket and manure scissors and
manicure files, knives and nippers.

See our
Skates:



See our
Sleds.

Grand Display

....of....

Holiday Goods!

Consisting of FUR STORM COLLARS, SCARFS and MUFFS; Ladies' and
Gents' Handkerchiefs, Kid Gloves, Mittens, Shetland Shawls, Moquette and
Smyrna Rugs, Ladies' and Children's Jackets and Capes, Elegant China,
Framed Pictures, Toilet Sets, Books, Dolls, Toys, Clocks, Pillow Covers, Table
Linen, Towels, Tides, Japan Novelties, &c. &c.
Our store is chuck full of X-mas goods; our prices are CAEAPER than the
CHEAPEST.

J. R. Carpenter,

154 Galena Avenue.

Christmas Presents!

Fancy Dishes, Glassware, Silverware, Jardinieres,
Urns, &c. &c.

Candied
Peels,
Lemon,
Citron,
Orange, 10c lb.

**18 Pounds
Best Granulated Sugar
for \$1.00**

Oyster Crackers,
Soda Crackers,
Butter Crackers,
5½c per pound
by the box.

6 Pounds of Choice Mixed Candy 25c

**Banana
Sale! 10c per dozen
for choice stock.**

Head Lettuce, Leaf Lettuce, Cucumbers, Parsley, Water Cross,
Radishes, Onions, Spanish Onions, Salsify, Sweet Potatoes,
Celery, Grapes, Pears, Oranges, Cranberries,
Eating Apples and Grape Fruits.

Our assortment of Christmas Candy is complete!

Oranges 15c per dozen and up.

I. B. Countryman Co.

WANTED.

COMPETENT girl to do general housework. Family of four. Mrs. A. E. SCHUBER, corner Third street and Monroe avenue. 3417.

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GIRL for housework. Mrs. S. G. AUSTIN. 2217.

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IRON, copper, lead, zinc, rubber, and bottles. Highest cash prices paid. Will call for same. Drop a postal to SAM RUBENSTEIN, 107 First St. Central Telephone 280.

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SKATES, Knives, Razors, Indian Clubs, Boxing Gloves, Dumb Bells, Guns, Etc., for Xmas at E. R. KENT'S. 2417.

FOR RENT.

THREE Front Office Rooms, over Godfrey's Grocery store. Apply to WM. REIER. 3517.

RESTAURANT building. Good chance for a good man. The best room and location in Polo partly furnished. Apply immediately to J. M. POWELL at Polo. 3553.

ROOM house corner of Crawford and Fifth street at \$13 per month. Inquire of Mrs. JOHN McBRIDE. 3518.

SALE.

THREE medium-sized hard coal burners. Mrs. M. METCALF, East First street. 3513.

OF MRS. AUSTIN'S. Cooking every Wednesday and Saturday afternoon, at the Chicago Department Store. Mrs. S. G. AUSTIN. 2817.

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If you broke that valuable China or cut glass dish, valuable furniture, crockery, leather goods, earthenware or any article except metal or amber. He will prescribe "Belamy's Iron Grasp Cement." It is patented and guaranteed. Sold by W. S. Fletcher, at Downing Bros. grocery store, Dixon, Illinois. Apply for agency. FRANK E. BELLAMY, City.

Drink Richelieu Java and Mocha COFFEE

For Breakfast, Dinner, Supper. FOR SALE BY DOWNING BROS.

\$500 REWARD!

We will pay the above reward for any case of Liver Complaint, Dyspepsia, Sick Headache, Indigestion, Constipation or Colic, if we cannot cure with Liverita, the Up-To-Date Little Liver Pill, when the directions are strictly complied with. They are purely Vegetable, and never fail to give satisfaction. 25c boxes contain 100 Pills; the boxes contain 40 Pills; 5c boxes contain 15 Pills. Beware of substitutions and imitations. Sent by mail. Stamps taken. NERVITA MEDICAL CO., Cor. Clinton and Jackson sts., Chicago, Ill. Sold by S. W. R. Parkers Drug Store, Dixon, Ill.

Foley's Kidney Cure

makes kidneys and bladder right.

Good Advice to a Young Man.

Ten years ago, when the late John Sherman was secretary of state, a young man, the son of one of Sherman's schoolmates, wrote to him for assistance. He said he had fallen so low in life that there was nothing left to him but the gutter; that existence had become a burden and that he wanted to die. Today this same young man is a prosperous merchant in New York city. He says his position is due to the advice given him by John Sherman in answer to his letter. The periodical called Success was given permission to publish the letter, which the owner guards more carefully than all his other possessions. Mr. Sherman wrote: You say that your life has been a failure, and that you are 30 years old, and ready to die. You say that you cannot find work, and that you see no hope in life. You say that your friends do not care to speak to you now. Let me tell you that you have reached that point in life when a man must see the very best prospects for his future career. You, at 30, stand on the bridge that divides youth and manhood. The one is dying, perhaps, but the other will soon burst, young and hopeful, from the ashes, and you will find in yourself a new being—a man. Do not let your discontent kill this new life before it is born. Unless you are physically deformed, go to work. Go to work at any honest work, if it only brings you a dollar a day. Then learn to live within that dollar. Pay no more than 10 cents for a meal and 20 cents for a bed, and save as much of the balance as you can, and with the same intensity as you would save your mother's life. Make the most of your appearance. Do not dress gaudily, but cleanly. Abandon liquor as you would abandon a pestilence, for liquor is the curse that wrecks more lives than all the horrors of the world combined. If you are a man of brains, as your letter leads me to believe you are, wait until you are in a condition to seek your level, and then seek it with courage and tenacity. It may take time to reach it; it may take years, but you will surely reach it—you will turn from the working man into the business man, or to the professional man, with so much ease that you will marvel at it. But have one idea, and aim for it. No ship ever reached its port by sailing for a dozen other ports at the same time. Be contented, for without contentment there is no love or friendship, and without those blessings life is, indeed, a hopeless case. Learn to love your books, for there is pleasure, instruction and friendship in books. Go to church for the church helps to ease the pains of life. But never be a hypocrite; if you cannot believe in God; believe in your honor. Listen to music whenever you can, for music charms the mind, and fills a man with lofty ideals. Cheer up! Never want to die. Why, I am twice your age, and over, and do not want to die. Get out into the world. Work, eat, sleep, read and talk about the great events of the day, even if you are forced to go among laborers. Take the first honest work you can get and then be steady, patient, industrious, saving, kind, polite, studious, temperate, ambitious, gentle, loving, strong, honest, courageous and contented. Be all these, and, when 30 years more have passed away, just notice how young and beautiful the world is, and how young and happy you are!

How It Is Done.

There is a drayman in an Illinois town who secured a home of his own in a novel way. For years he had worked hard and never got ahead. One day he made a bargain with himself that every time a dime came into his hands he would put it into a little tin box he had. For two years this box was never opened. The bargain was faithfully kept and every time anyone paid him a dime, into the box it went as soon as he got home. At the end of two years he opened the box and counted the dimes. There was a little over \$200 in the box. The dimes represented beers that he didn't drink, smokes that he didn't smoke and little self-denials. He was so encouraged that he bought a lot in a desirable location, and in less than four years had it entirely paid for. In no other way would this man have got a home.

—Charles Summers of Kingsly, Ia., while enroute home from Chicago, stopped off to visit the Palmyra cemetery, where the remains of his mother are buried. He was so well pleased with it that he contributed his part toward maintaining it in its present condition.

—Sterling had high hopes of adding a sixth ward to its municipality; but its hopes are dashed, as its city attorney has discovered that the city is not entitled to have six wards and twelve aldermen until it has 10,000 people.

—The officers-elect of the Royal Neighbors will meet in their hall tomorrow at 7:30 for drill.

POINTERS ON BOWLING.

Stick to the Small Ball Until Familiarity with It is Acquired.

The physical anatomy of bowlers makes it almost compulsory that each should adapt himself or herself to the style best fitted to the individual. Now, it will be the object at the beginning to learn how to properly handle a ball. These balls vary in weight from one to fifteen pounds, and from the size of a baseball to a ball twenty-seven inches in circumference.

It hardly appears necessary to warn the novice about the folly of beginning with the largest balls; it is an unwritten law of physical culture to begin with light weight first and gradually increase it; this every athlete will respect; but bowling is different, and, while the same rule applies with equal force, there seems to be an all-powerful inclination to begin with heavy balls. This has the effect of straining the nerves in the back, arms, and legs, and gives the novice the feeling next morning that he must have run up against something hard during the night. He also finds after an hour's steady practice that the ball is very stubborn, and that he has made little or no progress.

Stick to the small ball until you acquire that familiarity with it which will assure you a certain amount of gracefulness as well as accuracy. In lifting a ball from the runway don't grab it with both hands; one hand is plenty strong enough to handle it. Turn the ball over until the holes in it are facing upward, insert the thumb and second finger, and lift it from its position, letting the arm hang naturally by the side. Then walk to the position you desire behind the foul line. If you are inclined to roll a side or cross ball, naturally take up your place at the right-hand side of the alley; if you are a left-handed bowler, the left hand should be used. Step back about nine feet, holding the ball with both hands against the chest, or downward about opposite the knee; then draw an imaginary line by a glance of the eye from the head pin to the foul line; then start slowly until you have acquired the knack of getting the ball down toward the pins without its going into the gutter. This can be done with but very little practice. To the player whose desire it is to begin bowling by rolling a center ball the same will hold good—that is, draw an imaginary line from either side of the head pin to the foul line, as the one object should be not to hit the head pin full in the center, but a little to one side, so as to avoid difficult plays. Whichever style a novice adopts it should not be departed from, if an improvement is desired. Before stepping up to the runway for a ball, the soles of the shoes, unless tennis or rubber-soled ones are worn, should be well chalked from the chalk box at the head of the alleys. This will prevent any possibility of slipping while delivering the ball.

Don't take a ball from the runway while another ball is on the way down; this will prevent the fingers from being smashed between two balls. Don't try to learn all about bowling in one day. Don't use too much speed at first. Don't grip the ball too tight. It's not going to get away from you. Don't loft or throw the ball—roll it. Don't swing the ball too often before delivering it. This will cause you to lose all accuracy. Don't expect a "strike" every time. Don't throw away a "spare" because you think you were entitled to a "strike".

PATIENT IS HYPNOTIZED.

Successful Use of Occult Science in Surgery.

A hypnotist stood beside John Kneeland, of West Medford, Mass., in the emergency hospital Monday last, while he underwent an operation for lumbargia, and so treated him that he felt no pain from the surgeon's red-hot cautery. After the hypnotic influence had been administered the doctor said to the patient: "Now, there's not a particle of feeling in your back, is there?" He made a negative response.

"Now," he said, "I'm going to rub my finger down your spinal column to locate your trouble. There," and he drew the red-hot cautery down his back, "do you feel that?" "No," answered the patient.

The operation was over. The wound was dressed, and by the snap of the fingers he was brought out of his hypnotic state.

—An item given us Wednesday mentioned the name of Walter Merriman with a hunting party. Mr. Merriman did not go hunting on account of illness in his family.

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THE WEATHER.

The following is the weather forecast telegraphed us at 10:00 o'clock a. m. today from the government observatory at Chicago.

Fair tonight. Saturday partly cloudy with possibly showers by night. Continued mild temperature.

WEATHER REPORT.

For the week commencing Dec. 1, 1900

	Max.	Min.	Pre.
Sunday	35	24	—
Monday	41	31	.04
Tuesday	46	28	—
Wednesday	46	23	—
Thursday	43	18	—
Friday	—	—	—
Saturday	—	—	—

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GOLD FOR KIDNAPERS

Twenty-five Thousand Paid for the Return of Edward A. Cudahy's Son,

BOY WAS TO HAVE BEEN BLINDED

Unless the Ransom Was Produced at Fixed Time and Place.

Letter That Threatened the Cold-Blooded Atrocity—Shrewdness of Diabolism—Kidnaped Boy Tells His Story.

Omaha, Dec. 21.—Late last night Cudahy announced that he would pay \$25,000 reward for the apprehension of the abductors of his son, \$5,000 for one and \$15,000 for two of them.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 21.—There is rejoicing in the home of Edward Cudahy, the wealthy packing-house owner and capitalist of this city. Edward Cudahy, Jr., who was kidnaped Tuesday evening, after being held thirty-six hours for a ransom of \$25,000 in gold, which the young man's father unhesitatingly paid, has been returned to his family and the boy and his parents are receiving congratulations from relatives and friends throughout the country. Mr. and Mrs. Cudahy feel that they have cause for relief, not only over the return of their youthful son, but also because one or possibly more of their daughters were not included in the conspiracy which has caused them so much anxiety and grief, as a statement of the conspirators, overheard by the lad while he was in their power, indicates that they had been attempting for a month to secure possession of one of his sisters.

Tells of His Long Ride. Cudahy has been very reticent throughout the affair, but has finally made known the details of a long ride into the country to deposit a bag containing \$25,000 in gold in a place indicated in a letter written Wednesday to Cudahy by the outlaws, naming this condition as a surety for the return of the boy. In order to do this absolute secrecy was necessary, and a trusted messenger was dispatched to the bank to secure the gold. Cudahy held himself in readiness, and shortly after supper he entered a light road buggy, and after securing the money started out, entirely alone for the place of meeting the kidnapers. To identify himself he had attached to the dashboard of his buggy a red lantern, which was one of the conditions of the letter.

Direction He Had to Take. Cudahy drove north on the Sherman avenue road to a point about five miles from the city, where he found, near the road, a white lantern suspended from a short stake driven into the ground. This signal he had been watching for, it being named as the place for leaving the money. The location of the lantern was near the river bank, but when Cudahy arrived nobody was in sight. He at once alighted, placed the bag of gold conveniently near the stake, and without waiting for developments secured the horses' reins and returned to the city without hearing a sound.

Bandits Keep Their Word. That the bandits were near the spot and at once secured the valuable package cannot be doubted, for about 1 a. m. yesterday the young boy ran breathlessly up to the door of his father's home and rang the bell for admission. Notwithstanding the entire police and detective force of the city, several hundred of Cudahy's own men have been searching diligently for a clue looking to the capture of the outlaws, ever since the return of the young man, up to this writing nothing has been developed to give the least idea of the identity of the men who perpetrated the crime.

LETTER WRITTEN BY THE THUGS. Threat to Blind the Boy with Acid Unless Ransom Came.

Following is the letter the kidnapers sent to Cudahy. It is dated Omaha, Dec. 19:

"We have kidnaped your child and demand \$25,000 (twenty-five thousand dollars), for his safe return. If you give us the money the child will be returned as safe as when you last saw him, but if you refuse we will put acid in his eyes and blind him, then we will immediately kidnap another millionaire's child that we have spotted and demand \$100,000, and we will get it, for he will see the condition of your child and realize the fact that we mean business and will not be monkeyed with or captured.

"Get the money all in gold five, ten and twenty-dollar pieces; put it in a white wheat sack; get in your buggy alone on the night of Dec. 19, at 7 o'clock p. m., and drive south from your house to Center street; turn west on Center and drive back to Ruser's park and follow the paved road towards Fremont. When you come to a lantern that is lighted by the side of the road place the money by the lantern and immediately turn your horse around and return home. You will know our lantern, for it will have two ribbons, black and white, tied on the handle. You must place a red lantern on your buggy where it can be plainly seen so we will know you a mile away.

"This letter and every part of it must be returned with the money, and any attempt at capture will be the saddest thing you ever done. If you remember, some twenty years ago Charley Ross was kidnaped in New York city and \$20,000 ransom asked. Old man Ross was willing to give up the money, but Burns, the great detective, with others, persuaded the old man not to give up the money, assuring him that the thieves would be captured. Ross died of a broken heart, sorry that he allowed the detectives to dictate to him.

"This letter must not be seen by any one but you. If the police or some stranger knew its contents they might attempt to capture us, although against your wish, or some one might use a lantern and represent us, thus the

wrong party securing the money, and this would be as fatal to you as if you refused to give the money. So you see the danger if you let this letter be seen.

"Mr. Cudahy, you are up against it, and there is only one way out. GIVE UP THE COIN. Money we want and money we will get. If you don't give up, the next man will, for he will see that we mean business and you can lead your boy around blind the rest of your days and all you will have is the copper sympathy. Do the right thing by us and we will do the same by you. If you refuse you will soon see the saddest sight you ever seen. Wednesday, Dec. 19. This night or never.

"Follow these instructions and no harm will befall you or yours."

"Most people will wonder why the police did not frame up and attempt to capture the kidnapers of young Cudahy when his father took out that \$25,000 Wednesday evening," said Chief of Police Donahue last night. "We could have done so, but it was Mr. Cudahy's wish that we do nothing that would interfere with the safety of the boy. Mrs. Cudahy was nearly broken down with nervous prostration, and Mr. Cudahy was little better." He said to us, "I first want the boy," so he took the matter in his own hands and went out alone with the money. I told him that we were at his service and would do anything he wanted of us, but he was so afraid that they might do something to the boy that would injure him.

"Now, I can say that no effort will be lost to bring the abductors to justice. This is for the benefit of the public, and to prevent a repetition of this most dangerous crime. Mr. Cudahy evinces but little desire to prosecute the case, but he promises to do what ever we want him to do in the matter. He has offered no reward and I think is spending no money in the case. He is the best satisfied man I ever saw, now that he has his boy again."

STORY TOLD BY YOUNG CUDAHY.

Falsely Arrested Right Across the Street From His Home.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 21.—When young Edward Cudahy arose yesterday morning he was questioned concerning the circumstances of his disappearance and told the following: He said that he was in front of General Cowin's home, just across the street from his own home, on his way back from the Austin residence, Tuesday evening, when two men approached him. One of them stepped up to him and said: "We are scouts from St. Mary's county and arrest you as Eddie McGee, who escaped from the reform school." The lad protested that he was not the mythical Eddie McGee, but his captors said that he would have to be identified.

They placed him in a buggy and drove to Thirty-sixth street and thence south to Leavenworth street. As they approached Leavenworth street a motor car passed them. The lad recognized the conductor and said to his captors: "There is a man who knows me; he can identify me." But the captors immediately blindfolded him and whipped up the horse. The lad thinks that they crossed Leavenworth street and then drove in a southwest, easterly direction. Presently they came to a house which, in the opinion of the lad, is somewhere in the southwest corner part of South Omaha. Young Cudahy was taken from the buggy and placed in a room and chained to the floor.

Here he remained all night and the next day. His hands were tied and the chains on his feet prevented him from getting a good view of his surroundings, even after the blindfold had been removed. He knows, however, that he was in an empty room and that the blinds on the windows were closed. On the trip to the place of imprisonment the men, he says, talked a little about themselves. He gathered from them that there were six in the gang. One of these men came from Mexico recently and from Denver very lately, and was an expert in the kidnaping business. After the mysterious house was reached one man guarded him during a greater portion of the day. The second man was in and out of the room at intervals.

From a conversation between the abductors and himself the young man learned that the abductors had been seeking to abduct one of the girls of the family, and had been planning this coup for four months. At night, for some unknown reason, the men released young Cudahy from his chains and said: "We are going to take you home." Then they led him to a hack. He was driven rapidly through the darkness to Thirty-seventh street where he was allowed to leave the carriage. From there he walked home arriving there shortly after 1 o'clock in the morning. The bandits made no explanation to him why they gave him his freedom.

PLURALITY OF M'KINLEY.

Figures That Show It To Be \$62,762—Has a Majority Also.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—The Tribune prints figures showing that by the official figures of the popular vote for president, Nov. 6 last, McKinley received 7,220,193 votes and Bryan, 6,357,331. Thus Bryan in 1900 received 68,565 more votes than the Bryan and Sewall tickets in 1896 and 153,642 less than the combined vote for the Bryan and Sewall and Bryan and Watson tickets in 1896. The Prohibition vote in 1900 was 207,125, as compared with 130,682 in 1896. The Social Labor ticket received 34,007 votes in 1900, an increase of 462 over the vote for the ticket of that party in 1896. The total vote increased in four years only 29,844. This was due to the heavy losses in the vote of southern states, which out-balanced the gains in the north. The heaviest decrease was in Texas, where 122,000 less ballots were cast in 1900 than in 1896. McKinley's majority over all is 468,065.

The percentage of the total vote received by each of the candidates in 1900 follows: McKinley (Rep.), 51.72; Bryan (Dem.), 45.54; Woolley (Pro.), 1.48; Barker (Pro.), 37; Debs, 36; Maloney (Sec. Lab.), 25; Ellis (Union Ref.), 63; Leonard (United Christian), 600; Emerson (Anti-Imperialism), 900.

Phil Armour Ill Again.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Philip D. Armour, head of Armour & Co., who has been slightly ill for a few days past, was reported to be in a serious—though not alarming—condition last night.

RATIFIES THE TREATY

Senate Finishes with the Hay-Pauncefote Nicaragua Canal Convention.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS ADOPTED

But All Others Either Defeated or Withdrawn—Text of the Treaty as Ratified.

Washington, Dec. 21.—After spending the greater part of the past fortnight in considering the Hay-Pauncefote treaty for the modification of the Clayton-Bulwer convention of 1850 the senate yesterday consumed only one hour and ten minutes in amending it and ratifying it as amended. During the time there were six roll calls and several viva voce votes. The first five of the roll calls were on amendments offered by individual senators, and the last one on the resolution to ratify the treaty as amended. All the amendments except that offered by Foraker and that reported by the committee on foreign relations were voted down by majorities averaging about 19. The ratification resolution was adopted by a vote of 55 to 18. Lodge, who as a member of the committee on foreign relations has piloted the treaty through the senate since the death of Chairman Davis, lost no time in demanding that the voting begin when 3 o'clock arrived.

Vote on Elkins' Amendment.

The foreign relations committee amendments were read first. Lodge himself suggested a verbal amendment to the first of these, adding the word "convention" after the word "which," so as to make the amendment read "which convention is hereby superseded."

He explained that the suggestion had been made that without the addition of that word the amendment might be construed as applying only to articles VIII of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, whereas, he said, it was intended to apply to the entire treaty. The amendment was accepted, and the two committee amendments then were both accepted without division.

The first roll call was upon Elkins' amendment, declaring that "nothing contained in this treaty shall be construed to prevent the United States from acquiring at any time sufficient territory and sovereignty over the same upon which to build, manage, operate, defend, fortify, protect and control said canal, or for any other purposes as the United States may deem best in its own interests." It was lost by a vote of 25 to 45, the yeas being: Bacon, Bard, Bate, Barry, Beveridge, Butler, Clay, Cockrell, Culberson, Daniel, Elkins, Mallory, Mason, Money, Penrose, Pettigrew, Sullivan, Taffero, Teller, Tillman, Towne, Turley, Turner and Vest.

Voices on the Other Roll Calls.

The other amendment roll calls were as follows: On Butler's amendment to strike out Section 7 of Article 2, prohibiting fortifications—26 yeas, 44 nays; Mason's amendment authorizing the protection of the canal as the United States may deem proper—25 yeas, 44 nays; Bard's amendment reserving the right of the United States to discriminate in the canal traffic in favor of American vessels—27 yeas, 43 nays; Tillman's amendment authorizing the defense of the canal and the maintenance of public order by the United States—27 yeas, 43 nays. Foraker withdrew his amendments because they were the same as those reported by the committee on foreign relations. The nay vote on final ratification was as follows: Allen, Bard, Bate, Berry, Butler, Cockrell, Culberson, Daniel, Hettfield, Martin, Mason, Money, Pettigrew, Teller, Tillman, Turley, Vest and Wellington—18.

PITH OF THE RATIFIED TREATY.

General Principle of Neutralization Accepted and Defined by Rules.

The treaty as ratified, omitting the preamble is substantially as follows:

Article 1 agrees that the United States alone may build the canal and have the exclusive right of providing for the regulation and management thereof.

Article 2. The high contracting parties, desiring to preserve and maintain the "general principle" of neutralization established in article 8 of the Clayton-Bulwer convention, which convention is hereby superseded, adopt as the basis of such neutralization the following rules, substantially as embodied in the convention between Great Britain and certain other powers, signed at Constantinople Oct. 29, 1858, for the navigation of the Suez maritime canal, that is to say:

1. The canal shall be free and open, in time of war as in time of peace, to the vessels of commerce and of war of all nations, on terms of entire equality, so that there shall be no discrimination against any nation or its citizens or subjects in respect of the conditions or charges of traffic, or otherwise.

2. The canal shall never be blockaded, nor shall any right of war be exercised, nor any act of hostility be committed within it.

3. Vessels of war of a belligerent shall not revictual nor take any stores in the canal except so far as may be strictly necessary; and the transit of such vessels through the canal shall be effected with the least possible delay, in accordance with the regulations in force, and with only such intermission as may result from the necessities of the service.

Prizes shall be in all respects subject to the same rules as vessels of war of the belligerents.

4. No belligerent shall embark or disembark troops, munitions of war, or warlike materials, in the canal except in case of accidental hindrance of the transit, and in such case the transit shall be resumed with all possible dispatch.

5. The provisions of this articles shall apply to waters adjacent to the canal, within three marine miles of either end. Vessels of war of a belligerent shall not remain in such waters longer than twenty-four hours at any one time, except in case of distress, and in such case shall depart as soon as possible; but a vessel of war of one belligerent shall not depart within twenty-four hours from the departure of a vessel of war of the other belligerent.

It is agreed, however, that none of the immediately foregoing conditions and stipulations in sections numbered 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this article shall apply to measures which the United States may find it necessary to take for securing by its own forces the defense of the United States and the maintenance of public order.

6. The plant, establishments, buildings and all works necessary to the construction, maintenance and operation of the canal shall be deemed to be part thereof, for the purposes of this convention, and in time of war as in time of peace shall enjoy complete immunity from attack or injury by belligerents and from acts calculated to impair their usefulness as part of the canal.

7. No fortifications shall be erected commanding the canal or the waters adjacent. The United States, however, shall be at liberty to maintain such military police along the canal as may be necessary to protect it against lawlessness and disorder.

CLOSE OF THE ARGUMENT.

Counselor Aldrich Talks to the National Supreme Court.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The oratory on the great question before the supreme court is done, and that distinguished body is considering whether the constitution follows the flag without the help of congress. Charles H. Aldrich, of Chicago, closed the case and some of the propositions he laid down were as follows:

"That the power to tax, levy duties, etc., extends to the entire United States.

"That the term 'United States' embraces 'our great republic, which is composed of states and territories.'

"That 'it is not less necessary, on the principles of our constitution, that uniformity in the imposition of imports, duties and excises should be observed in the one than the other.'

"It follows from the above that the rights and obligations of the territory thus a part of the United States and the inhabitants thereof are measured and tested by the constitution."

As to the contention that the Philippines were not a part of the United States, Aldrich said: "If the islands ceded by Spain are foreign territory, then our country would have as its commercial representatives therein consuls." The attorney general's interpretation of the word "sovereignty," Aldrich said, was that this government had a right to do what any other nation does. This word had become most popular since we entered upon a colonial policy. But Aldrich declared that the sovereignty of the United States was one exercised under the constitution.

Aldrich entered a protest against the use of Jefferson's name in support of the proposition that the United States can acquire and hold territory indefinitely. It was settled beyond question that Jefferson himself had not regarded the Louisiana purchase as constitutional.

Congress in Brief.

Washington, Dec. 21.—A spirited debate was precipitated in the senate yesterday over the resolution of Chandler to discharge the committee on contingent expenses from further consideration of the resolution authorizing an investigation of the Montana senatorial case, but no action was taken upon the resolution. There was no important business transacted in open session. In secret session the Hay-Pauncefote treaty was amended and ratified as amended.

The house passed the Indian and the military academy appropriation bills. The former carried \$9,036,523 and the latter \$700,151. Neither provoked much discussion.

Confirmed by the Senate.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The senate confirmed the following nominations: C. S. Francis, of New York, minister to Greece; Arthur S. Hardy, of New Hampshire, minister to Switzerland; J. G. A. Leishman, of Pennsylvania, minister to Turkey.

PENSION FOR RAILWAY MEN.

Northwestern to Begin a System with the Coming New Year.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—The directors of the Chicago and Northwestern railway have determined upon a permanent pension system for the 27,000 employees of the road to go into effect Jan. 1, 1901. The pension system is patterned in many respects after that recently created by the Pennsylvania lines.

How many employees of the road the system will immediately retire, the officials of the directory have been unable to calculate as yet, but eventually the fully working of the plan will call for an annual expense upon the part of the company of \$200,000.

NEWS FACTS IN OUTLINE.

John W. Yerkes, of Kentucky, commissioner of internal revenue, has entered upon his duties.

Colombian rebels have been defeated in a great battle, losing 600 killed and many wounded.

Three firemen were killed and many injured by the bursting of a steam pipe on the British steamer Domingo de Larrazaga.

William Apple, a 9-year-old newsboy of Chicago, was instantly killed by an electric mail car.

The Texas Relief association, of Chicago, has sent \$4,581 more for the Galveston sufferers, making a total sent of \$40,743.70.

An attempt was made to rob the Nebraska state treasury yesterday morning, but the thieves were frightened away.

Three houses were wrecked and seven persons injured by two natural gas explosions at Beaver Falls, Pa. A 3-year-old son of Frank Barnes, was burned fatally.

The structural steel pool will hold a meeting in New York the latter part of next week.

The proposed national home for aged and indigent Elks will in all probability be erected at Colorado Springs, Col.

It is reported that a money panic is impending in Mexico.

Today is the twenty-fifth anniversary of the consecration of Archbishop Ireland as a bishop.

UNION LABOR LAW VOID

One That Made It a Crime to Refuse to Employ a Union Man.

DECLARED A VIOLATION OF RIGHTS

Several Interesting Supreme Court Decisions—Convicted Murderer Jests at Death.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 21.—The supreme court yesterday rendered an opinion declaring the act of 1893, passed to protect employes and guarantee their right to belong to labor organizations, unconstitutional. The opinion is in the case of Charles Gillespie vs. the People, from the county court of Vermillion county, where Gillespie was fined \$25 for violating the act by discharging Reuben Gibbons, a carpenter, for joining the union. In declaring the act to be unconstitutional the court holds that it deprives employers of the right to terminate contracts with employes, a right guaranteed by the organic law of the state. The court further holds that the legislature is forbidden to deprive either employer or employe of that right, and that it has no authority to pronounce the performance of an innocent act criminal, when the public health, safety, comfort or welfare is not interfered with. The court reversed and remanded the case with instructions to the trial court to dismiss the prosecution.

Matter of Life Insurance.

The court affirmed the judgment of the trial and appellate courts in the case of the Covenant Mutual Life association of Illinois against Fanny Kentner, which decides that such a company has no right to raise the rate for life insurance beyond the assessment figure contained in the contract of insurance. The husband of Mrs. Kentner had refused to pay an assessment upon the grounds that it was excessive, and the company refused to pay the claim. The trial court gave judgment against the company for the full amount of the claim—\$5,000.

Licenses for the Plumbers.

In reversing the case of Wilkie vs. the People, the court holds that Section 1435, revised code of the city of Chicago, requiring each master plumber to obtain a city license and pay a fee therefor of \$30, is invalid. The court says that if the ordinance was ever valid it was rendered void by the passage of an act by the legislature to provide for licensing plumbers. The only license that may be collected from plumbers is the \$5 authorized by the state law to be paid to the examining board for a certificate which entitles a master plumber to follow his trade in any part of the state.

Railway Company Not Liable.

In affirming the judgment of the superior court of Cook county, the court decides that a railroad company is not liable for damages to adjacent property claimed to result from the elevation of its tracks, either in pursuance of ordinances or to meet the growing demands of trade or commerce in populous cities.

HE JESTS AT HIS COMING DEATH.

John Owen, Who Also Refuses to Tell His Real Name.

Paris, Ills., Dec. 21.—John Owen, alias Radcliffe, who is to be hanged here today, still refuses to disclose his identity, but says he is connected with a prominent Kentucky family. He says he may tell who he is to a man by the name of Meese, who occupies an adjoining cell in the county jail, some time before his execution. He secured two tickets of admission to his own hanging and sold them for \$5 each to Night Policeman C. E. Sebree, who was acting as agent for some gentleman who did not want to be known. He gave the \$10 to Meese, his fellow prisoner.

Owen declines to be interviewed and will not see clergymen. He jests in regard to his approaching death and says he would die in a year any way from stomach trouble. He is cool and deliberate in his conversation and seems to have no fear of death. He was told of the demand for tickets to see him hung and remarked that a man who would see a fellow man's life wiped out through curiosity was thoroughly depraved.

Joined Her Old Love.

Decatur, Ills., Dec. 21.—Invitations were out for the marriage on Christmas day of Charles Dillard, a farmer living near St. Louis, and Lora Trueblood, daughter of Rev. H. W. Trueblood, of the Dalton City United Brethren church. The parents of the girl came to Decatur to make arrangements for the wedding and while they were away their daughter and John L. Jones, of Paola, Ind., went to Sullivan and were married. They left for Indiana. The girl was engaged to marry Jones last summer, but there was a misunderstanding.

Many Callers on the Governor-Elect.

Springfield, Ills., Dec. 21.—Governor-Elect Yates had so many callers that he was compelled to request the Springfield people in waiting to surrender their line to outsiders. The largest delegation was composed of committeemen from the various railroad employes' brotherhoods of the state, who want Charles F. Clark, of Springfield, an engineer on the Chicago, Peoria and St. Louis railroad, appointed on the railroad and warehouse commission.

Death of Dr. Justus Townsend.

Springfield, Ills., Dec. 21.—Dr. Justus Townsend, one of the most prominent physicians in Illinois until stricken with paralysis four years ago, died last night, aged 72 years. He was in the service of the United States government during the civil war as assistant surgeon.

Real Estate Dealer Fails.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 21.—James R. Maxcey, a prominent real estate dealer and auctioneer of this city, today filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States district court. Liabilities are scheduled at \$56,783, and assets at about \$125.

A WOMAN'S BACK.

The Aches and Pains Will Disappear if the Advice of This Dixon Citizen is Followed.

A woman's back has many aches and pains. Most times 'tis the kidneys' fault. Backache is really kidney ache. That's why Doan's Kidney Pills cure it.

Many Dixon women know this. Read what one has to say about it:

Mrs. C. McCrystal of 553 Madison avenue, says: 'I suffered from disordered condition of the kidneys for some time. Learning about Doan's Kidney Pills I got a box at Leake Bros' Drug Store and used them as directed. The benefits I derived from their use were soon noticeable. The pains in my back grew less and the secretions from the kidneys which had been too frequent grew regular. By the time I used two boxes the heart trouble from which I also suffered because of the improper action of the kidneys was greatly improved.'

For sale by all dealers; price 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

NERVITA PILLS

Will Restore Strength, Energy

And The Ambition That Nature Intended All to Have

A Nerve Tonic and Blood Builder. Brings the pink glow to pale cheeks and restores the fire of youth. By mail 60 cts per box, 6 boxes for \$2.50, with our bankable guarantee to cure or refund the money paid. Send for circular and copy of our bankable guarantee bond.

Nervita Tablets EXTRA STRENGTH Immediate Results

(YELLOW LABEL) Positively guaranteed cure for Paresis, Locomotor Ataxia, Nervous Prostration, Hysteria, Fits, Insanity, Paralysis and the Results of Excessive Use of Tobacco, Opium or Liquor. By mail, in plain package, \$1.00 a box, 6 for \$5.00, with our bankable guarantee bond to cure in 80 days or refund money paid. Address:

NERVITA MEDICAL CO., Clinton & Jackson Sts., CHICAGO, ILL.

Sold at W. R. Parkers Drug Store, Dixon, Ill.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure

Digests what you eat.

Artificially digests the food and aids Nature in strengthening and reconstructing the exhausted digestive organs. It is the latest discovered digestant and tonic. No other preparation can approach it in efficiency. It instantly relieves and permanently cures Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Heartburn, Flatulence, Sour Stomach, Nausea, Sick Headache, Gastralgia, Cramps and all other results of imperfect digestion. Price 50c, and \$1. Large size contains 24 times small size. Book about dyspepsia mailed free. Prepared by E. C. DeWITT & CO., Chicago.

Rowland Bros.

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Complete in 20 Numbers.

Special American Edition this series embraces over 350 distinct views of the Paris Exposition, buildings, grounds, exhibits, famous paintings and statuary.

Printed from original half-tones, by the nickel-type process, superior to any other yet invented, as the excellence of the views fully testify. All the photographs were taken by Marius Bar, official photographer of the French Government and by the eminent Neurdein Bros., whose art productions are famous throughout Europe. Famous paintings and statuary on exhibition in the halls of the Art Palaces, together with the celebrated Royal German Collection, loaned by the Emperor, from the palaces of the German Empire. In its complete form the Parisian Dream City will be the most perfect and desirable art work ever issued in America. Every family should possess a copy. For further particulars. See our circular, Robt. Fulton, 10 cents per number. Call at EVENING TELEGRAPH office and examine this beautiful work.

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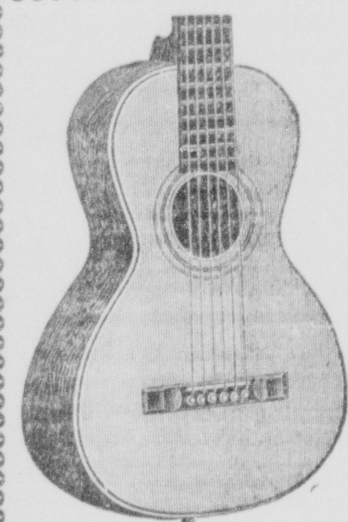
Santa Claus
is King and we
are his
Store House.

92 Galena Av.

Here is a partial list of the many pleasing, practical and pretty presents for X-mas.

Dolls, kid bodied and dressed.
Toilet Sets, ebony and plated.
Medallions, 10c upwards, lovely subjects.
Handkerchiefs, the grandest assortment.
Embroidered Pillow Shams.
Battenburg Squares.
Perfumes, finest goods at popular prices; Furs, Child's Sets Muffs and Collarets; Lunch Cloths; Fine Towels; Umbrellas, grand assortment; Silk Waists.

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Why

not get a present for Christmas that will be enjoyed by every member of the family.

One of our Regina Music Boxes would just fill the bill.

Plays over a thousand different tunes, never gets old.

Then we have some very fine Mandolins and Guitars. And they don't cost very much. You should see our new Mandolin for \$2.85 and our Guitars for \$4.50.

We have a very complete line of Violins, Music Rolls, Harmonica, Flute, Music Books, Sheet, Music, etc.

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Try an order of
Hocking Valley,

the best soft coal in the market.
we also have

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and the best grades of hard coal.

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Houses and Lots for sale
at great bargains

Property to Rent.

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PRICES THAT WILL PLEASE ALL!

Choice California Evaporated Peaches, worth 12¢, only.....10c per lb.
3 Crown California Raisins only.....10c per lb.
Choice California Evaporated Prunes, 5 lbs. for.....25c
Apple Butter, Plum Butter and Peach Butter, put up in Quart Jars only.....10c each
Extra Fine Quality Canned Pears in Heavy Syrup 2 cans for only.....25c
Extra Fine Quality Canned Peaches in Good Syrup, 2 cans for.....25c
Kirk's Cabinet Soap, 10 bars for.....25c
3 lb.-Can Golden Pumpkin, per can.....7c

Denny & Co.

Both 'Phones. 53 First Street.

For The Holidays!

Christmas Candy only.....5c per pound
Choice Holiday Box Cigars, only.....\$1.00 per box

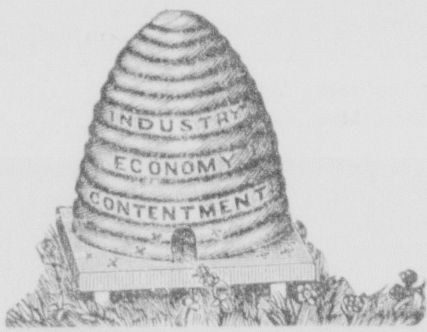
Complete stock, good goods and prices always right.
Give us a trial.

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Our Greeting is Christmas Bargains!

They are many, they are desirable, they are reliable. We have this year a larger, better lighted and more beautiful store than previous years. Our choice selections of New Holiday Goods are now ready for the inspection and approval of all who know a good thing when they see it. Come in and be pleasantly surprised. Nothing now to hinder you from having a Merry Christmas as you can get the presents you want for the persons you wish at a price you can afford to pay. We have new novelties, nice but inexpensive goods. We have choice and more costly gifts, ranging upward in price as high as you care to go. In all grades and at all prices we can supply you with the nicest and most appropriate gifts for little and big, old and young. We want you to come in and see the BEST. We want you to know how much there is in it and how CHEAP it is at the reasonable prices we ask. To have a Merry, Satisfactory and Money-saving Christmas make your Holiday purchase at

The Bee Hive,
121 First St. Eichler Bros. Props.

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DIXON, ILL., DECEMBER 21, 1900.

There's Danger in Town.

There, John, hitch Dobbin to the post; come near me and sit down.
Your mother wants to talk to you before you go to town.
My hairs are gray, I soon shall be at rest within the grave;
Not long will mother pilot you o'er life's tempestuous wave.

I've watched o'er you from infancy, till now you are a man,
And I have always loved you, as a mother only can.
At morning and at evening I have prayed the God of love,
To bless and guide my darling boy to the bright home above.

A mother's eye is searching, John—old age can't dim its sight—
When watching o'er an only child, to see if it does right;
And very lately I have seen what has aroused my fears,
And made my pillow hard at night, and moistened it with tears.

I've seen a light within your eye, upon your cheek a glow,
That told me you are in the road that leads to shame and woe;
Oh, John, don't turn away your head and on my counsel frown.
Stay more upon the dear old farm—there's danger in the town.

Your father, John, is growing old, his days are nearly thru.
Oh, he has labored very hard to save the farm for you;
But it will go to ruin soon, and poverty will frown,
If you keep hitching Dobbin up to drive into the town.

STATE TEACHERS' MEETING.

Lee County Will be Well Represented at Springfield Next Week.

The forty-seventh annual meeting of the Illinois State Teachers' Association will be held at the hall of representatives in Springfield from December 26 to 28.

County Superintendent I. F. Edwards and Superintendent Chas. W. Groves, Principal Bullard, Supervisor Kribbill, Miss Hullam and Miss Rhine-smith of the south-side schools, Miss Anna Carpenter of Dixon College and Superintendent Dunlap of Amboy all expect to attend.

The first session is Wednesday evening, December 26, at 7:30. There will be an address of welcome by Gov. Tanner, followed by the president's address, Superintendent A. V. Greenman, of Aurora. The chief address, however, will be by Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis, pastor of Plymouth church, Brooklyn, on "John Ruskin's Message to the Twentieth Century."

The executive committee has planned to give considerable attention to the new movement for practical education that will teach the children to like country life more. The educators interested in this new movement believe that interest in country life is based upon a knowledge and appreciation of laws of nature, the laws that control chemical changes of soils, climatic influence upon them and the biological laws involved in plant and animal growth, is the sure way to make farming interesting, attractive and profitable.

In the count convention Friday afternoon Supt. O. J. Kearns of Rockford will discuss, with others, school decorations, on which subject he has written much with warm interest.

In the high school section Principal B. D. Parker of Rockford will introduce the subject of athletics.

The railroads will give the usual rate of one and one third fare on the certificate plan. By writing in advance to J. H. Collins, superintendent of schools at Springfield, Ill., accommodations can be obtained in private families at cost not to exceed \$1 a day. This, with the low railroad rate, makes a holiday trip to the state capital within the possibility of many country teachers. It will surely prove one of inspiration and profit.

NEW FIRE EXTINGUISHER.

Rockford Man's Invention Proves Successful—A Simple Powder.

Hugh Gallagher is astonishing some of his friends by showing them what his new fire extinguisher can do. This morning he built a big fire in the city lot and saturated it with kerosene and then put the fire out in less time than it takes to tell it. All he had to do was to throw a couple of handfuls of the magic powder into the flames and there was nothing but the blackened wood. The powder is a harmless substance, of a light color and little looks to have the power it shows when in action. It appears to be an easy way of fighting fire and causes no damage in itself as does water or the ordinary chemical.—Rockford Register-Gazette.

LEE COUNTY. 29,894.

COMPLETE CENSUS RETURNS OF
COUNTY AND STATE.

Dixon Township Has 9,125 Citizens—The
County by Townships—Interesting
Items About the State.

	1900	1890
LEE COUNTY.....	29,894	26,187
Altontownship.....	924	923
Amboy township, including Amboy city.....	2,726	3,139
Amboy city.....	1,826	2,257
Ashton township, including Ashton village.....	1,125	1,031
Ashton village.....	756	680
Bradford township.....	677	720
Brooklyn township, including Compton and West Brooklyn villages.....	1,347	1,154
Compton village.....	428	234
West Brooklyn village.....	279	—
China township, including Franklin Grove town.....	1,315	1,361
Franklin Grove town.....	681	736
Dixon township, including Dixon city.....	9,125	5,804
Dixon city.....	7,917	5,161
Ward 1.....	3,027	—
Ward 2.....	1,022	—
Ward 3.....	2,643	—
Ward 4.....	1,725	—
East Grove township.....	653	659
Hamilton township.....	498	329
Harmon.....	936	846
Lee Center.....	816	789
Marion.....	741	750
May.....	659	703
Nachusa.....	888	913
Nelson.....	586	454
Palmyra.....	1,010	1,016
Reynolds.....	743	674
South Dixon.....	854	841
Sublette.....	—	—
Sublette village.....	1,004	1,000
Sublette village.....	306	—
Viola township.....	694	598
Willow Creek township, including part of Lee Village.....	959	1,034
Lee village, part in Lee Co.....	151	163
Lee.....	—	—
Lee.....	—	—
Dekalb counties.....	287	264
Wyoming township including Paw paw village.....	1,546	1,455
Pawpaw village.....	765	—

The official returns of the twelfth census for Illinois were received at the TELEGRAPH office this morning and Lee county's showing is given above. During the past ten years there has been a gain of 3,707 in the county. The majority of the townships show substantial gains, but eight of them show losses, as will be seen by the table.

Lee county's gain in each census from 1840 to 1900 is as follows: 1840, 2,035; 1850, 5,292; 1860, 17,651; 1870, 27,171; 1880, 27,491; 1890, 26,187; 1900, 29,894.

The population of the state of Illinois at each census from 1810 to 1900, inclusive, together with the increase by number and per cent during each decade is as follows:

Census years.	Pop'n	Increase.	No.	Per cent
1800.....	4,821,550	995,199	26.0	—
1810.....	5,816,750	748,480	24.3	—
1820.....	6,977,871	537,980	21.1	—
1830.....	7,539,891	827,940	48.3	—
1840.....	1,711,951	869,481	101.0	—
1850.....	851,470	375,287	78.8	—
1860.....	476,183	318,738	202.4	—
1870.....	157,445	102,283	185.4	—
1880.....	55,162	42,880	349.1	—
1890.....	12,282	—	—	—

The population of the state in 1900 is 4,821,550, as compared with a population in 1890 of 3,826,351, showing an increase during the ten years of 995,199, or 26 per cent. This is a greater increase than for any decade since 1870, and a greater numerical increase than for any decade in the history of the state. Prior to 1870 the growth of the state was very rapid, and the rate of increase was much greater than it has since been.

The present population of the state is more than 392 times as great as the population reported for 1810, the first census taken after its organization as a territory in 1809.

The total land surface of Illinois is approximately 56,000 square miles, the average number of persons to the square mile at the censuses of 1890 and 1900 being as follows: 1890, 68.3; 1900, 86.0.

Merriman's Team Wins.

Carl Page and Walter Merriman's teams locked horns at the Dixon Bowling alley last evening and Merriman's team succeeded in winning two of the three games played:

	1st game	2d	3d	Total
A. Page.....	144	115	132	391
Smith.....	103	120	112	335
Leake.....	102	161	132	455
Cupp.....	99	148	165	412
C. Page.....	168	133	116	417
Totals.....	706	677	657	2940
	1st game	2d	3d	Total
F. Jacob.....	99	133	152	384
G. Jacobs.....	150	124	165	439
W. Page.....	143	140	107	390
Miller.....	158	106	132	456
—.....	99	138	164	401
Totals.....	649	741	720	2110

Minstrels.

Reserved Seat Sale for Scott's Big Minstrels opens tonight at Todd's store. Prices 25c, 35c and 50c.

Advertisements changed this evening: I. B. Countryman Co., E. N. Howell Hardware Co., Famous 5 & 10c Store, Leake Bros., C. J. Rosbrook.

—The home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Roe was brightened this morning by the arrival of a little daughter.

After looking Lee county over

Santa Claus

has decided to make his HEAD-QUARTERS at the

R. W. Thompson Store,

COR. FIRST AND HENNEPIN AVE.

Where you will find everything to gladden the hearts of old and young: including Dress Goods, Jackets, Furs, Umbrellas, Table Linens, Napkins, Fancy Art Linens, Handkerchiefs, Celluloid Collar and Cuff Boxes, Jewel Cases, Pictures, Albums, Child's Work Boxes, Toilet Sets, Cigar Cases, Picture Frames, Gents' Toilet Cases, Dolls and hundreds of other things too numerous to mention.

Blue Trading Stamps with Everything:

Rockers, Rockers.

Desks, Desks.

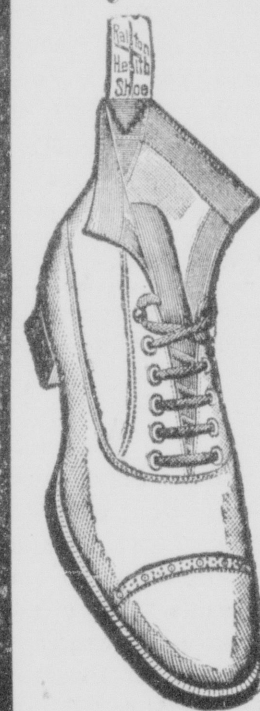
Rugs, Rugs.

The Keyes Furniture Rooms,

66 and 68 Main Street, Telephone 161.

Good Shoes for Men.

Easy to Buy and Hard to Wear Out!



Our line of Men's GOOD SHOES at \$3.00 and \$4.00 are now at their best.

They are the product of two of the best eastern factories, making men's shoes exclusively.

The showing comprises Patents and Enamels, Box Calf, Valours Calf and Vici Kid.

Made from carefully selected stock, with double or single soles, Goodyear welted.

They fit well, look well and wear well. As a Christmas present for yourself or a friend they are especially appropriate.

Look us up before buying and you'll thank us for the suggestion.

The "GOLDEN RULE" Shoe Store,

120 Galena Ave.

FORD BROS., Managers.

Let Us Suggest

that you look over our superb line of

**Suit Cases, Traveling Bags, Grips
for X-mas.**

The finest line west of Chicago. Look at our window.

H. U. BARDWELL, 61 First Street,
Dixon, Ill.

Harness and Horse Goods.

Special Sale.

Commencing Today and Lasting 20 Days Only.

We are closing out the Gents' Furnishing Goods, and at the same time will give a big discount on Shoes, Overshoes and Felt Boots. The \$3.00 Queen Quality Ladies' Shoes go at \$2.50; and other lines even at a bigger cut.

Yours For Bargains,

Yates & Smith,
East First Street.

We Are Selling

Pitcher Spout Pumps

with brass valve seats, for

\$1.25.

20X30

White Enamel Sinks

\$2.50.

And other goods in proportion. If you want good plumbing call on

THOMAS, The Plumber,

57 First Street.

Do. Phone 106. Central Union Phone 88

CHRISTMAS

is near at hand; the proper question is

Have you selected the presents for father, mother, brother, sister, sweetheart, wife, husband or baby? If not, you should do so while the stocks are full and complete.

If you want good values in furniture visit our store. Three floors filled with everything imaginable and needed, and we are pleased to show our goods.

Mahogany and Golden Oak enter into the make up of elegant Library and Dining Tables, Combination Book Cases, Writing Desks, Music Stands, Ladies' Dressing Tables, etc.

Every article in our store is guaranteed just as represented. We deliver to all parts of the city. Select your presents and we will deliver them on Christmas morning or when desired.

See our big values in Parlor Rockers, Morris Chairs, Flemish Pieces, Tabourettes, Center Tables, Parlor Cabinets, Couches, Kitchen Cabinets and those finely finished Sideboards and China Cabinets.

C. CONNERMAN,

59 First Street.



How To Dress.

No costume is correct and no one who wears it is well dressed unless it is fashionable in style, fits well, and is neat and in good taste.

Have Your Suit Made

by CUMMINS, the Ladies and Gentle men's Tailor, and you will have the latest in goods, the latest in style and the best workmanship; because all garments are made in Dixon by skilled mechanics.

J. F. Cummins,

118 Galena Avenue, Up Stairs.

THE FROST KING.

A Beautiful Christmas Service at the Presbyterian Church.

The Presbyterian church was filled with people Thursday evening who were delighted with the beautiful Christmas service entitled "The Frost King." The songs and dialogues of the service were written and arranged by Dr. S. S. Cryor, pastor of the church, and the exercise was one of the prettiest of this kind ever conceived.

The little play represented the driving of the Queen of Summer from her throne by the Frost King of Winter. Miss Lorna Demant impersonated the queen most admirably. Surrounded by flowers, wearing a golden crown and carrying a golden scepter, she looked the queen indeed and sang her song most sweetly.

One by one her votaries came and laid their offerings of flowers at her feet accompanied by their songs of praise. The first one, Clare Webster, came from the valleys, and represented the lilies; another came from the meadows, Mabel Jones, and represented the buttercups; the third, Hazel Baird, came from the woodlands with her offering of wild roses; a fourth, Winifred Clarke, came with poppies and goldenrod from the prairies; Bessie Andrie came from cultivated gardens and Dorothy Dimick with mountain daisies came from the farthestmost end of her domain. "As each kneel she was touched by the queen's golden scepter and they then took their places, three on either side, where they joined in a song of glad summertime.

Soon the wind began to moan and one by one the flowers shivered and fled from the throne. Then appeared the Frost King, represented by E. B. Raymond. He wore a silver crown and carried an icicle for a scepter. The queen demanded why he should enter unsummoned before the queen of the earth, but he answered that she was only queen of part of this earth and that this was only by his leave; she could not drive him away, but by a touch he could make her give up her throne. After a spirited dispute he extended his icy wand and she fled in dismay. Then the king of winter sang his song, which was full of the life and strength of mastery. It was a most fitting song and was sung with spirit. Now winter's votaries came to do with homage. Rollie Greig advanced with his skates and disclaimed the glories of the sport; Robert Knight thought sleighing was the best of fun; Denman Clarke came with a sled and praised coasting; Alfred Peters carried a book and represented the winter evenings at home; Andrew Bixby came with a basket and did homage to Thanksgiving day. At the last came Santa Claus, ably represented by H. U. Bardwell, and said that all had waited for him and that he carried gladness wherever he traveled. Following him was a troop of brownies loaded with baskets of candy which, under the direction of Santa Claus, were distributed to the 170 or more members of the Sunday school. All acted their parts well and made the exercises a pleasing success.

Kidnapping.

Not since the boy Charlie Ross was taken away from his father's home in Philadelphia while at play has there been such an excitement throughout the country over a kidnapping affair as this that comes from Omaha. Our special dispatches last evening announced the boy's ransom and today is given the very interesting particulars of the lad's experience with the kidnappers, as well as the father's fearful drive with the twenty-five thousand dollars in gold in his buggy.

Night Before X-mas.

The Big Minstrels, formerly Al. G. Fields, now Oliver Scott's, will give a first-class Minstrel performance at the Dixon Opera House, Monday night.

—Robert Monroe was called to Paris, Canada, by the illness of his sister.

—M. M. Warner of Sterling, a brother of Mrs. J. L. Lord and an old settler of Palmyra, suffered a stroke of paralysis while visiting his brother, Geo. Warner at Prophetstown.

—Sterling Standard: "Miss Josephine Gamble, Dixon's best violinist, has been engaged as soloist for the musical which is to precede the annual Christmas party of the Sterling Club next Wednesday evening. The entertainment committee is making elaborate arrangements for this party, and it will be one of the most enjoyable of the season.

Holiday Rates.

The Illinois Central will sell tickets on their line within a distance of 200 miles at a rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip. Dates of sale Dec. 22, 23, 24, 25 and 31st, 1900, and Jan. 1st., 1901, limited to return not later than Jan. 2nd., 1900.

PROF. BROSINAN'S DANCE.

A Gold Watch Went to Miss Christie Scholl—Many Enjoyed the Dance.

At G. G. Rosbrook's hall last evening Prof. Brosinan gave another of his series of pleasant dances. About 150 couples kept time to the music furnished by the Dixon Mandolin Club. On entering the hall each lady was given a number in the contest for the gold watch and chain and each gentleman a number on a season ticket, a duplicate of each being placed in sealed boxes. At 11:30 p. m. a blind-folded gentleman selected two young ladies to conduct the drawing. The boxes were shaken and opened in the presence of the audience and one lady drew while the other announced the number as drawn.

No. 42 ladies' ticket drew the handsome gold gilded watch with an Elgin movement, including a leather case and neck chain. This watch was purchased from C. C. Burkhardt and has been on exhibition for several days. Miss Christie Scholl, an employee of the Milk Factory, was the lucky holder of this number. No. 30, a gentleman's number, drew a season ticket for Roderick B. Wilson and No. 16, also drew a season ticket for C. F. Edinger.

The next of Prof. Brosinan's series of dances will be on New Year's eve, Dec. 31, being postponed from the preceding Thursday on account of the life and drum corps bazar. The professor took this means of showing his appreciation to the patrons of his school and expects to have a large number at his next dance to see the old year out and the new one in, and to dance out the old century as well.

—A. O. U. W. election tonight.

—E. B. Palmer was a Dixon visitor yesterday.

—Lex Andrus is home to spend his vacation.

—Mrs. Myra Dement has recovered from her illness.

—Wm. Snyder and lady were in Sterling last evening.

—Chas. Todd has another circular folded in tonight's paper.

—Matt Docter will spend the holidays with relatives at Forreston.

—Miss Andra Maloney is assisting at the Bee Hive during the holidays.

—Mrs. Ira Madison of North Dixon avenue is quite ill with bilious fever.

—John Carson, representing Carson, Pierce Scott & Co. of Chicago, was here yesterday.

—Robert E. Moon of Ashland, Neb., arrived this morning to attend the funeral of his mother.

—Mrs. O. B. Blackman, Mrs. Rowland Page and Miss Blackman will receive tomorrow afternoon.

—Read the large list of bargains offered by the Plymouth in the handbill folded in tonight's paper.

—Thomas Wade is up from Quincy for a holiday visit with his daughter and grandchildren, Mrs. Napoleon Berard.

—Co. G will give their annual Holiday Carnival next week at Armory hall. Season tickets can be procured at Kelly's drug store.

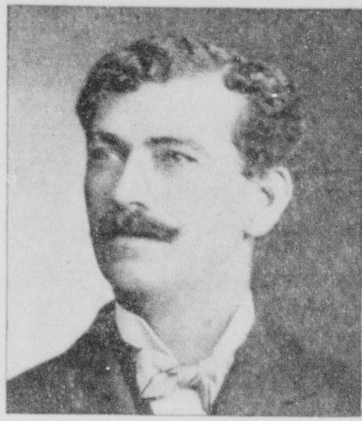
—Harry Wisman and Frank Goodman of Ashton, and who have been visiting at Rock Island the past week, called on Dixon friends last evening.

—Mrs. Mary Dyson of Indiana went to Rockford Wednesday and in a few hours had a husband that weighs 210 pounds, and the police helped her to get him.

—Word was received by relatives in this city of the death yesterday of Mrs. Thomas Casey in Chicago. She will be remembered as a former resident of Dixon.

—In Immanuel Lutheran church Christmas exercises will be held next Sunday evening. A special program has been prepared for the children, in which a well laden Christmas tree will be a central figure. Everybody is invited.

—The Altoona (Pa.) Tribune of the 20th inst. mentions the fact that Mrs. Elizabeth Stalker on Wednesday of this week celebrated the 100th anniversary of her birth. Mrs. Stalker is an aunt of Mr. Samuel Crawford of Galena avenue, this city. She and three of her daughters are living together in Williamsburg, Pa., and the old lady is enjoying good health for one so far advanced in life, and is in possession of all her mental faculties.



SUBURBAN SIFTINGS.

Hints and Happenstances in Surrounding Towns and Villages.

GRAND DETOUR.

Dec. 20.—Geo. Manon moved his family to Dixon last week.

Elias Lawver and son started for Arkansas, Thursday to visit his father, who is very sick.

Mrs. J. F. Wiley came home Friday from Oak Ridge where she had been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. Sadler, for a week.

Will Veith and wife drove to Nelson Thursday to visit his parents, returning Saturday.

Mrs. Dave Winebrenner visited in Polo a few days last week.

Roy Netz drove to Oregon last Friday.

C. P. Munn and daughter were in Dixon Friday.

Mrs. Sabra Carter went to Dixon Friday and Saturday went to Chicago to spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. E. L. Morey.

Mrs. Nancy Palmer and daughter of Dixon came Friday to spend Sunday with relatives.

Mrs. H. C. Earll was in Dixon Saturday.

O. L. Packard of Sac City, Iowa, visited with friends over Sunday.

N. D. Dudley of Chicago came home Saturday to visit his mother and sisters.

Several from here attended the oyster supper at Irvin Palmer's on Oak Ridge, Friday night.

Mrs. C. A. Sheffield entertained a few friends with cards Saturday night.

W. J. McAlpine of Dixon and C. C. Jacobs of Amboy were here Saturday.

Henry Hemmen returned to his work at Ft. Dodge, Ia., Saturday.

W. L. Palmer entertained relatives with a dinner Sunday.

C. C. Jacobs' men are busy working at the bridge.

Rumor says there will be a wedding here before many days.

S. L. Miller of Lanark is spending a few days here.

Mr. J. Smith, who met with the accident at the bridge several weeks ago, is back again and the wound is healing nicely.

C. F. Throop came home Wednesday to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Z. French was in Dixon Wednesday.

C. C. Jacobs of Amboy and E. C. Parsons and son of Dixon took dinner at C. A. Sheffield's Wednesday.

J. P. Sanborn drove to Polo Tuesday.

BRADFORD

Dec. 20.—Louis Ackerman of Van Horn, Iowa, was here visiting friends.

George Wagner and wife were visiting in Dixon Friday.

Henry Gross and Martha Seebach were married Thursday at the bride's home in China township by Rev. C. J. Frye.

Adam Eisenberg will have a public sale Thursday, Dec. 27, at 1 o'clock, F. D. Kelly auctioneer.

Adam Eisenberg and wife were in Amboy last Friday on business.

Conrad and John Seebach came from Dysart, Iowa, to attend the wedding of their sister.

John Flack sawed wood Friday.

Rev. Frye is having revival meetings in Bradford church now. Everybody is cordially invited.

SOUTH DIXON.

Dec. 21.—Clarence Ankney is quite indisposed.

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PRINCE GINJAN.

A Christmas Fairy Story For the Children.

BY JANE ELLIS JOY.

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THE eldest of the royal children, Prince Ginjan, was a very important young person. His parents lavished on him all the good things that love could suggest and money procure, while the nobles of the kingdom and the great ladies added gifts until it required several rooms of the palace and a village of outbuildings to hold the prince's possessions.

In spite of all this devotion, however, and with the knowledge that a kingdom full of people were eager to do him homage, Prince Ginjan was discontented. It is said that his unhappiness began with the study of the multiplication table. No sooner had he learned that two times two are four than he wished for four toy watches instead of two, and likewise that his three dappled ponies should be multiplied by two. The same thoughts came to him when he studied the line of threes and the fours.

When it came to the study of the eights and the nines, the trouble grew worse, for now he wanted all his treasures multiplied by eight and nine.

His father, the king, reasoned with him about the extravagance of his wants, and the queen, his royal mother, was sorry that it was impossible to indulge him, but it remained for his grandmother—partial old lady that she was—to say, "It is all the fault of the multiplication table!"

Ah, that multiplication table! It has occasioned a good deal of trouble to many people, though perhaps never before or since has it been charged with an offense so serious.

One day when Prince Ginjan was a well grown youth a strange thing happened to him. According to the ancient tradition, the prince was industriously applying the principles of multiplication in computing the number of presents he hoped to receive on Christmas, which was close at hand. For some cause or other interest in the fascinating tables flagged a little. Perhaps the prince saw how preposterous it would be for one boy to have 9 times 9 saddle horses or 12 times 12 sailboats. Anyhow he fell asleep in his study chair with his book and slate before him.

He might have slept for an hour or two when he was awakened by a touch on the shoulder, and opening his eyes, he saw an odd looking little hunchback the like of whom he had never before.

"What do you want?" he asked, not altogether liking the familiarity.

"What do you want yourself?" returned the intruder in a funny little squeaking voice.

Fully awake, Prince Ginjan now rubbed his eyes and stared. All at once it occurred to him that the little hunchback was an elf and that the present might be a good chance to gratify some of his desires.

"What do I want?" he repeated in a more conciliatory tone. "Well, since you are good enough to ask, I want considerable. To begin, I would like 10 chariots and 24 thoroughbred horses. Give me 6 lakes of my own in which to catch fish and about 150 new suits of clothes. You might let me have a couple of thousand new books, and a few hundred of the latest toys and games and 30 gold chains to wear around my neck.

Instantly the request was granted.

"Anything more?" inquired the elf in a matter of fact way.

"Oh, yes. As I said, I'm only beginning," answered the prince quickly. "I want some spending money. Just let me have a couple of million dollars, please." (The amount is expressed in dollars for the enlightenment of American readers.)

"Is that enough?" asked the elf.

"Well, now that I think about it, perhaps I had better have a little more," corrected the prince. "Suppose you multiply the sum by two. You know the multiplication table?"

"Quite well," said the elf, calling off the sum. "Four million dollars."

"It might be a good idea to multiply again—this time by three," suggested Prince Ginjan. "I'll soon be a young man, and I don't want to run short."

"No. That would be inconvenient," agreed the elf. "Twelve million dollars. Are you sure you won't need any more?"

"Twelve millions would be better," smiled the prince.

"Twelve billions it shall be," said the elf.

"What do you say to making it a trillion?"

"All right; a trillion."

"Wait! Hold on!" put in the prince breathlessly. "Since it seems all the same to you, just multiply by 1,000! Money is a good thing to have. Call it a round quadrillion at once, and I'll never ask you for another dollar."

"Very well," said the elf. "You will want storehouses for your money."

"Yes; of course," said the prince, "and that reminds me that I want a lot of other things. I would like two summer palaces all to myself and two winter palaces. I want two or three big department stores and several miles-square miles-of forest in which to hunt. Let me have 10 parks ornamented with flowers and 14 castles."

The elf nodded. "Well, anything more?" he asked.

"Yes," said the prince, reflecting. "I would like to own 8 big ships and 16 little yachts. By the way, those lakes you gave me will do only for small craft. I must have a couple of oceans to sail my ships on, and you might throw in a

couple of rivers. Mind, I want these things all to myself."

"A pretty good order," said the elf. "But you shall have everything that you have asked for, oceans and all."

Now, since the objects enumerated by Prince Ginjan required space, territory, it will be obvious that when the goods were delivered, so to speak, the prince awoke to the fact that he was all alone in a world of his own.

Everything in the prince's world was arranged most conveniently. His castles and palaces, all beautifully furnished, were stocked with imperishable provisions. He had but to ring a little silver bell, and the table would be set for him with a sumptuous feast; another bell, and the meal was cleared away. His horses groomed themselves. His ships were managed by an easy apparatus that would like a clock. He needed no crew, no servants, no anything, being undisputed master of the whole world—a sovereign, in fact, with no one to disagree with him or say nay to any of his propositions.

For while Prince Ginjan fancied that he enjoyed his vast possessions, but gradually life grew a little monotonous even with a new pleasure for every day in the year. If he had only some one to share his enjoyments, some one to listen while he talked of his sea voyages, some one to look over his sea voyages, some one to castles, some one even to say, "Ginjan, won't you lend me a couple of dollars?"

The prince, however, had desired that he might have his possessions all to himself, and this stipulation was rigidly carried out by the elf.

"I wonder if I didn't make a great mistake," thought Prince Ginjan. "That forest is big enough for a hundred people to hunt in. How the pretty things in my stores would please Sister Melina! I wish mother was here, so that I might give her a diamond necklace, and grandmother would be pleased with a set of nice warm furs."

Since he owned the whole world the prince had no use for his money. At times the sight of the huge piles of coined gold and silver affected him like a grim joke. To amuse himself now and then he pretended that he did not own everything and would go through a little imaginary form of buying from an imaginary owner. Anything to get rid of some of his money.

But these little weak make believes soon tired him, and he wished more than ever for a real way to unburden himself. But there was no one to accept a castle or a lake or \$100,000.

"Ah," the prince would often sigh, "it is not such a fine thing to own a world—and nothing else. My world separates me from the people I like. I wish I was back in my father's little kingdom. How USE FOR HIS MONEY. I used to enjoy fishing in the brook behind the gardener's house! I was far happier then before I met that miserable little elf that tricked me by giving me all I asked for."

One day Prince Ginjan was more lonely and miserable than usual. He was fishing on one of the lakes, when all at once this thought came to him: "What is the fun in fishing when there is no one to eat the fish or to care how many I catch? I wish I could give a string of them to somebody." He turned the boat shoreward and stepped out just as the little elf came along.

"Oh, is it you?" he said indifferently, wishing it might have been some one else.

"How are you enjoying your world?" asked the hunchback, with an odd smile.

"I'm tired and sick of it," answered Prince Ginjan dismally. "I haven't had a pleasant hour since I've been here."

"Dear me, that is strange! Do you want another ocean, or maybe an extra bill?"

"No; not I," interrupted the prince. "I'm poorer with what you have given me than I was before I saw you."

"Poorer!" ejaculated the elf.

"Yes, poorer!" emphasized the prince with a kind of desperation. "Isn't a person poor when he can't give anything away?"

The elf looked thoughtful. "Well, yes," he felt obliged to admit.

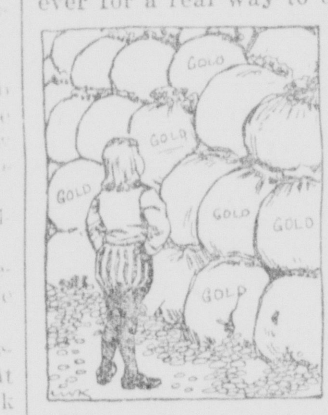
"If you really want to be kind," said the prince, brightening, "take me back to my old home in the little kingdom that my father rules."

"You couldn't take your possessions with you," explained the elf. "There isn't room for them there."

"I know that, and I don't want them," said the prince.

The elf now passed a magic wand three times over the prince's head. At the third movement the oceans, lakes and rivers dried up; the ships, the parks, the castles, the palaces and the heaps of money seemed to pass into the clouds, and Prince Ginjan found himself once more in the palace of his father.

Those who have studied old annals say that Prince Ginjan now covered himself with glory by making a contribution to science in the shape of the division table, which up to this time had not been invented. This is, of course, only a myth and may have originated in the historic entertainment given on a certain twenty-fifth day of December, at which this prince distributed quantities of his treasures among the poor. By this act Prince Ginjan won for himself the title of "The Generous," a distinction by which he was known throughout his long and happy reign.



THE PRINCE HAD NO BROTHER FELIX AND NO SISTER MELINA.

IN THE NORSELAND.

CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS OF THE LAND OF THE MIDNIGHT SUN.

Feeding the Birds on the Anniversary of the Saviour's Birth—Throwing the Straw Truss—English Celebrations—In South America.

CHRISTMAS is celebrated in many ways. In this country all know what is done—the giving of presents, the dinners, the churchgoing and the general joy diffused in every possible way.

In England Christmas is celebrated with more boisterous enthusiasm than anywhere else. Every person who can read the English language knows the Christmas of the feast has been described in detail by Washington Irving in "The Sketch-Book." Feasting is characteristic of the English celebration. Eating has become such a part of the day in England that the Italians have the following proverb: "He has more business than English ovens at Christmas." The English probably do more eating Christmas than any other people.

In Norway there is a peculiar Christmas way of offering a lady a brooch or a pair of earrings in a truss of hay. The house door of the person complimented is pushed open, and there is thrown into the house a truss of hay or straw, a sheaf of corn or a bag of chaff. In some part of this "bottle of hay" envelope there is a needle of a present to be hunted for. A favorite way for a lover to send a present to his mistress is to make a large brown paper bundle, which on being opened reveals a second parcel, with a loving motto on the cover, and so on, until the kernel of this paper husk is arrived at, which, opened, contains some delicate and valuable ornament.

One of the prettiest Norwegian customs at Christmas is the practice of giving on that day a dinner to the birds. On Christmas morning every gable, gateway or barn door is decorated with a sheaf of corn fixed on a tall pole, wherefrom it is intended that the birds shall make a Christmas dinner. Even the poorest peasant will contrive to have a handful set aside for this purpose, and what the birds do not eat on Christmas day remains for them to finish at their leisure through the winter. The caroling of these birds about these poles makes a Norwegian Christmas cheery.

On New Year's day friends and acquaintances always call upon each other, exchanging calls and good wishes. In a corner of each reception room stands a little table, which is kept furnished all day with wine, cakes and sweetmeats for the visitors, who talk, flirt, compliment and sip wine and nibble cake from house to house with great perseverance.

Christmas brings its cheer and joy year after year to the little ones of the household, but the time comes when they are



FEEDING THE BIRDS.

supposed to be grown up beyond the desire for the Christmas tree, with its rich fruit of surprises. One of the jolliest Christmas celebrations possible, however, is to have a Christmas tree for the grown up folk.

In no country perhaps does Christmas wear so strange a garb as in the half Indian and half Spanish cities of the South American republic. Of these not one presents so singular and so interesting an aspect as Lima, the capital of Peru. Its Moorish architecture, its magnificent religious festivals, its many colored population, its picturesque costumes and its strange mixture of the customs of old Spain with those of the ancient empire of the Incas combine to form a picture of rare attractions.

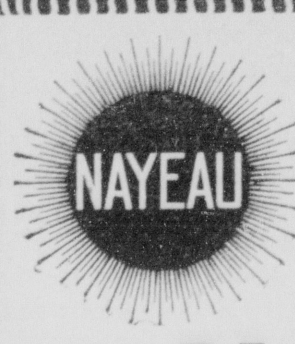
On Christmas eve—noche buena, the good night, as the natives call it—the whole city is alive with preparations for the approaching festivity. The alamedas, or public walks outside the walls, are on Christmas eve crowded with pleasure seekers, and the great square is filled by a motley throng, whose faces present every shade of human color, from the aristocratic white and slender figure of the pure Spanish creole through 50 crosses and gradations to the jetty black and robust frame of the equally pure negro.

Numerous ice stalls, surrounded with chairs and benches, are scattered over the square and drive a busy trade, for to the Lima ice is a necessary of life, and never is it more welcome than during the sultry Christmas time. As the night deepens the crowd increases, and presently is heard above the hum of voices the wild chanting of the Peruvian waits, bands of negroes dressed in flowing robes of red, with their black faces sometimes disguised by ugly and still blacker masks and carrying in their hands enlashed filled with pebbles. To the monotonous music of the guitar and clattering castanets they sing guttural songs and dance uncouth measures, rattling the pebbles to mark time. After the negroes come groups of Indian women, loosely dressed, their long, black hair, unbound, falling to their ankles, carrying long, slender wands fluttering with ribbons. In low, soft tones they sing sweet melodies and move in circles, performing the most graceful dances, waving their light wands in time to the music of a flute and harp.—Kansas City Times.

Not on Christmas.

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—Mrs. W. M. Brown is ill.

—Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lennox are in the city today.

—Caleb Forbs was down from Franklin Grove yesterday.

—Dr. Smith of Franklin Grove was on the streets yesterday.

—W. M. Brown is expected home tomorrow from Wisconsin.

—J. S. Leath, of 314 Peoria avenue, has been ill for two days past.

—Seth Drew returned to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, after a visit here.

—Attend the Christmas cantata at the Christian church tomorrow evening.

—Mrs. John Deeter, accompanied by her uncle, went to Chicago this morning.

—The Bunnell Co. mortar and pestle sign in front of the drug store is undergoing repairs.

—Frank E. Bellamy yesterday purchased from C. E. Keyes a lot on West Third street for \$430.

—John Weiman of Mendota, formerly of the Star office here, arrived in this city last evening.

—John Dolan, formerly a law student here, expects to depart for Chicago on Monday to visit his parents.

W. J. Gallagher and Lute Seidel and ladies of Sterling drove up to attend the dancing school last evening.

—Miss Crete Blackman, who has been attending school at Fairbairn, Minn., has returned home for the holidays.

—Miss Roxy Terry, who has been attending the N. I. N. S., started today for her home at Rochester, Indiana.

—Clinton Fahrney will spend the holidays with his parents. He has been attending Drake College at Des Moines, Iowa.

—Attorney Robert Humphries of Chicago is here for a few days visit at the Clinton Judd home on Crawford avenue.

—Will Klossowski and Clarence Preston are home from Champaign to spend the holidays.

—Mrs. Addie M. Clay of Kahoka, Missouri, is here to spend the holidays with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. E. Woodruff of Third street.

—Messrs. Metzler and Jones of the Dixon College football team started for their homes near Madison, Wisconsin, today, where they will spend the holidays.

—Mrs. A. G. Welch and children of Lake Forest and Miss Amy Sickles of Chicago are expected here Saturday to visit their parents, Dr. E. C. Sickles and wife.

—The Sterling bachelor girls' club has disbanded already. They decided that they couldn't get along very well without young gentlemen escorts to balls, parties and theatres.

—Atty. E. S. Smith, who was injured by a fall on the stairway of the City National Bank building, is much better today, suffers little pain and is able to move a little in bed.

—The finder of a ladies' pearl-handled gold pen in a plush covered box will be rewarded for returning same to Lew E. Edwards' store. The pen was lost by Ray Ruper of Loveland place.

—Among the familiar out-of-town people on our streets this morning were; Mrs. F. E. Fiacel, Elmer Cline and wife, and Mrs. S. C. Lohman, all of Nachusa; and Mrs. John Howard of Palmyra.

—Col. Fred R. Hanlon returned last evening from a four days stay in Springfield and says politicians are thick about Yates' office. There are 480 applications from Sangamon county men alone after jobs.

—The young people of the Baptist Sunday school are urged to be present at the church tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock to rehearse the Christmas program. The primary department is expected at the same time.

—Lobbyists of the railroads in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa and other western states will be kept busy this winter to prevent the enactment of laws making the maximum rate for transportation of passengers two cents a mile.

—Supervisor N. A. Cortright and wife will leave tonight for Council Bluffs to be gone until after New Years visiting friends in the west. Their many friends wish them a safe journey and will gladly welcome them home.

—The Savanna Journal's pale blue Christmas edition of 32 pages is an immense success. It is fully illustrated with half-tone cuts, printed on book paper, prettily bound, and has a large amount of good reading matter and advertisements.

—The Warren Sentinel-Leader this week comes out with a holiday souvenir edition of sixteen pages printed on fine rose-tinted book paper, and filled with Christmas reading matter, advertising and local news. It is a very creditable issue and very neatly printed.

—George Schorr and Ed. Winters drove to Polo this morning.

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